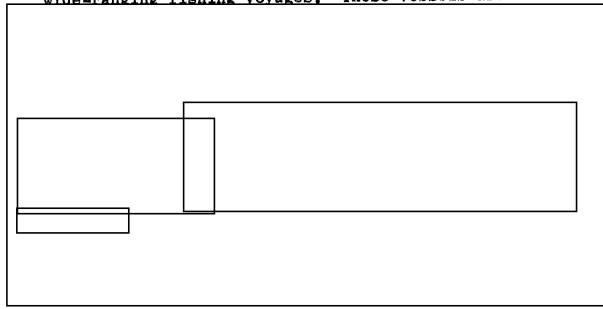
the Caribbean, and approximately 10 are enroute between US Gulf ports and the East coast of South America.

FISHING CRAFT

4. Various estimates of the number of motorized offshore fishing vessels of countries bordering the Caribbean have been made. These estimates range up to 7,500. However, the number of these fishing boats that are not limited to sheltered waters probably does not exceed 3,000. The US and Mexican fishing fleets based in the Gulf of Mexico contain more than 3,000 vessels which are not limited to sheltered waters. Some of these vessels fish in the Caribbean.

OTHER SMALL CRAFT

- 5. In addition, there are a large number of oceangoing pleasure craft and small inter-island commercial vessels for which no statistics are available.
- 6. Special opportunities to load or discharge arms occur to vessels of the Cuban fishing fleet which operate in the waters of the Caribbean, the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic. The Cuban fishing fleet now contains well over 200 vessels capable of wide-ranging fishing voyages. These vessels are



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